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Expedited Procedure Requested  
Examining Group. 2873  
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In re application of : Tomoaki KOBAYASHI et al

Application No. : 10/667, 427

Group Art Unit: 2873

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For : LENS BARREL

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Transmitted herewith is a **Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.312** in the above-captioned application.

Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

A Request for Extension of Time.

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312**

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Sir :

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated June 4, 2004,  
Applicant respectfully requests entry of the herein contained amendment under the  
provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page  
2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.